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# PERSI CHOICE 401(K) PLAN

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## Choice Plan Review

- Structure and plan design,
- Investment options,
- Overall costs



# **PERSI Choice Plan History**

- A brief history of the Choice Plan from inception to today, including:
  - Legislative interim committee review of DB plan
  - Gain sharing impact
  - Original plan design decisions (investment options, record keeping, costs, member education)
  - Plan modifications since 2001



# Legislative Interim Committee

### Defined Benefit v. Defined Contribution Debate

- Legislative topic in 1999-2000
- Legislative Interim Committee established
  - Trustee Sullivan involved
  - Committee Affirmed
    - PERSI DB Plan remain intact, with mandatory participation
    - DC plan as add-on, with voluntary participation
    - Educational program to educate members on DC plan investment and retirement planning
- Base Plan funded status was 113%
- Gain Sharing became part of discussions



# **Gain Sharing**

## Gain Sharing Opportunity

- Allocation decisions made, once Gain Sharing established
  - Based on Base Plan funded status as of 6/30/2000
  - Board established general allocation parameters, and allocation for 2001 in particular
  - \$155,381,000 Gain Sharing distributions in 2001
    - 50% Employers (credit; some used this for employer match)
    - 38% Employees (gain sharing contribution to 401(k) account)
    - 12% Retirees (13<sup>th</sup> check)
- Provided for rate stabilization (vs. benefit enhancements)

## DC Plan Design Options were evaluated



# DC Plan Design

## Concepts adopted by Board

- Separate education and record keeping vendors
- DC program to offer index funds and investments through other vendors (unbundled)
- Educating members important to program success
  - DC plan operates quite differently from DB plan
  - DC plan contains different risk factors
- PERSI among pioneers in "daily valuation"
  - Important risk control measure for Base Plan and beneficial for DC environment
- State 401(k) Plan (Idaho Super Saver Plan) was extended to all PERSI eligible members (IRS issued Private Letter Ruling)



# **Plan Changes**

## Investment Fund Lineup & Policy Updates

- 8/1/2003 -
  - replaced ING Small Cap with T. Rowe Price Small Cap (performance)
- 10/1/2007 -
  - Replaced Dreyfus Mid-Cap with Mellon Wilshire 4500 Completion Fund (performance, active to inactive)
  - Add Calvert Socially Responsible Balanced Fund (Sudan-Free)
- 10/30/2010 -
  - Add PERSI Short-Term Portfolio (STIP) fixed income option
- 6/21/2011
  - SEI Stable Asset Fund option ended



# **Investment Fund Lineup - 2001**

### 2/27/2001 Board Meeting

 Board approved selection of asset classes & investment managers recommended in Mercer report

### Active Managers

- Large Cap Core Equity
- Mid Cap Core Equity
- Small Cap Core Equity
- International Equity Core
- Core Plus Fixed Income
- Stable Value Fixed Income

### Passive Managers

- S&P 500 Index
- Wilshire 5000 Index
- Lehman Brothers Aggregate Bond Index
- EAFE Index



## Fund Allocations - 12/31/2001

#### Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho Ending Market Values for the PERSI Choice Plan Balances as of December 31, 2001

Variable Funds		Ending Value	Percent of Total
Bond  Mellon DL Aggregate Bond Index  Dodge & Cox Income Fund	\$	76,988 1,435,288	0.1% 1.7%
Balanced PERSI Total Return Fund	\$	65,072,366	76.3%
Large Cap Equity Vanguard Growth & Income - Investor	\$	5,516,152	6.5%
Equity Index Mellon S&P 500 Stock Index Fund	\$	4,981,050	5.8%
Combined Equity Index Mellon Wilshire 5000 Stock Index Fund	\$	53,009	0.1%
Mid Cap Equity Dreyfus Premier Mid Cap Stock Fund R	\$	184,765	0.2%
Small Cap Equity Aetna Small Company Fund I	\$	1,646,316	1.9%
International Equity  Mellon DL International Stock Index Fund  Brandes Institutional International Equity Fund	\$ \$	35,412 1,557,922	0.0%
Stable Value SEI Stable Value Fund	\$	4,241,657	5.0%
.oans Loan Fund	\$	536,923	0.6%
Total Market Value	\$	85,337,849	100.0%



# **Investment Fund Lineup - 2012**

### Balanced Options

- PERSI Total Return Fund
- Calvert Social Investment

### Equity Options

- Mellon US Equity Market (Wilshire 5000)
- Mellon S&P 500 Stock Index Fund
- Vanguard Growth & Income
- Mellon Market Completion Stock Index Fund (Wilshire 4500)
- T. Rowe Price Small Cap Stock Fund
- Mellon International Stock Index Fund (MSCI EAFE)
- Brandes International Equity Fund

### Fixed Income Options

- Mellon Aggregated Bond Index Fund
- Dodge & Cox Fixed Income Fund
- PERSI Short-Term Investment Portfolio (STIP)



## Fund Allocations - October 2012

Asset Allocation **				
	Month-end Mkt Value		Alloc by Fund	Alloc by Asset Class
Balanced Options:				80.9 %
PERSI Total Return Fund	\$	382,402,720	80.7 %	
Calvert SRI Sudan Free Fund	\$	790,268	0.2 %	
Domestic Equity Options:				8.3 %
Mellon Wilshire 5000 Stock Index Fund (Wil 5000)	\$	3,332,156	0.7 %	
Mellon S&P 500 Stock Index Fund (S&P 500)	\$	8,085,757	1.7 %	
Vanguard Growth & Income Fund (S&P 500)	\$	9,982,035	2.1 %	
Mellon Wilshire 4500 Index Fund (Wil 4500)	\$	5,704,292	1.2 %	
T. Rowe Price Small Cap Stock Fund (RU 2000)	\$	12,281,269	2.6 %	
International Equity Options:				1.9 %
Mellon International Stock Index Fund (MSCI EAFE)	\$	3,450,623	0.7 %	
Brandes International Equity Fund (MSCI EAFE)	\$	5,656,116	1.2 %	
Fixed Income Options:				7.7 %
PERSI Short-Term Investment Portfolio	\$	10,813,742	2.3 %	
Dodge and Cox Fixed Income Fund (BC Aggregate)	\$	12,313,742	2.6 %	
Mellon Aggregate Bond Index Fund (BC Aggregate)	\$	13,427,719	2.8 %	
Other:				
Loans	\$	5,547,423	1.2 %	1.2 %
Total DC Plan	\$	473,787,862	100.0 %	100.0 %



# **Statistics** (\* = \$ in millions)

	12/31/2001	06/30/2004	06/30/2012	10/31/2012
EE Contrib.*	\$2.1	\$17.3	\$32.3	
Rollovers*	\$0.2	\$3.4	\$9.6	
ER Contrib.*	\$1.7	\$0.2	\$0.4	
Avg. Balance			\$10,517	\$10,997
O/S Loans #	190	356	1,255	1,273
O/S Loans \$*	\$0.5	\$1.1	\$5.4	\$5.6
Eligible #	64,459	65,000	66,666	66,967
Deferring #	3,512	6,771	10,178	10,832
<b>Deferring %</b>	0.54%	10.40%	15.27%	16.18%
Fund				
Balance*	\$84.8	\$139.3	\$453.1	\$474.0



## **Vendors - Now**

- Fund Custodian BNY Mellon
- Record Keeper Xerox HR Solutions\*
  - Renewed in 2006 via 2<sup>nd</sup> RFP process
  - Contract ends 12/31/2014
- Communication Xerox HR Solutions\* / PERSI Staff
- General Investment Consultant Callan
  - Hired 1/1/2004
  - Oversees investment funds, conducts RFP's

<sup>\*</sup>Mellon sold the record keeper business to ACS HR Solutions, which was subsequently purchased by Xerox.



## **Xerox HR Solutions**

### Education emphasis

- Kaci Guthrie, Xerox HR Solutions trainer for Choice Plan
- Works with Employees and Employers
- Initiating Employer Survey to determine how to best deliver education efforts

### Xerox enhancements

- "Account Projection" added in 2010
- "Total Retirement Planning" Morningstar tool in the works
  - Member can personalize retirement planning (all retirement plan income, expenses) and get investment suggestions
  - Would be added cost to the plan and/or participants



## Retirement Income

## "Three-legged Stool" for Income Replacement

- Social Security: 41% (for average wage earner)
- PERSI Base Plan: 10 60% (estimated)
  - 10% for retiree with 5 years of service (just vested)
  - 60% for retiree with 30 years of service (career type)
  - 34% for retiree with 17.2 years of service (average)
- Personal Savings could include
  - PERSI Choice 401(k) Plan
  - Other retirement plans offered by PERSI employers (e.g., 457, 403(b), other 401(k), IRA)

Social Security + PERSI = 51-101% income replacement



# **Questions/Comments?**

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